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| <b>TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES<br/>DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)<br/>CONCERNING A SUBMISSION UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371</b>  |   | ATTORNEY'S DOCKET NUMBER<br>2271/75688                       |
| INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO.<br>PCT/JP2005/008651   | INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE<br>2 May 2005 | U.S. APPLICATION NO. (if known, see 37 CFR 1.5)<br>10/563214 |
| PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED<br>6 May 2004  |   |  |
| TITLE OF INVENTION<br>IMAGE FORMING APPARATUS  |   |  |
| APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US<br>Shinji IMOTO and Seiichi KOGURE   |   |  |
| Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:  |   |  |
| <p>1. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> This is a <b>FIRST</b> submission of items concerning a submission under 35 U.S.C. 371.</p> <p>2. <input type="checkbox"/> This is a <b>SECOND</b> or <b>SUBSEQUENT</b> submission of items concerning a submission under 35 U.S.C. 371.</p> <p>3. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)). The submission must include items (5), (6), (9) and (21) indicated below.</p> <p>4. <input type="checkbox"/> The US has been elected (Article 31).</p> <p>5. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2))           <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> is attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau).</li> <li>b. <input type="checkbox"/> has been communicated by the International Bureau.</li> <li>c. <input type="checkbox"/> is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US).</li> </ul> </p> <p>6. <input type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2))           <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. <input type="checkbox"/> is attached hereto.</li> <li>b. <input type="checkbox"/> has been previously submitted under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).</li> </ul> </p> <p>7. <input type="checkbox"/> Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3))           <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. <input type="checkbox"/> are attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau).</li> <li>b. <input type="checkbox"/> have been communicated by the International Bureau.</li> <li>c. <input type="checkbox"/> have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired.</li> <li>d. <input type="checkbox"/> have not been made and will not be made.</li> </ul> </p> <p>8. <input type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)).</p> <p>9. <input type="checkbox"/> An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4)).</p> <p>10. <input type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the annexes of the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(5)).</p> |   |  |
| Items 11 to 20 below concern document(s) or information included:  |   |  |
| <p>11. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98.</p> <p>12. <input type="checkbox"/> An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included.</p> <p>13. <input type="checkbox"/> A preliminary amendment.</p> <p>14. <input type="checkbox"/> An Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76.</p> <p>15. <input type="checkbox"/> A substitute specification.</p> <p>16. <input type="checkbox"/> A power of attorney and/or change of address letter.</p> <p>17. <input type="checkbox"/> A computer-readable form of the sequence listing in accordance with PCT Rule 13ter.2 and 37 CFR 1.821- 1.825.</p> <p>18. <input type="checkbox"/> A second copy of the published International Application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).</p> <p>19. <input type="checkbox"/> A second copy of the English language translation of the international application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).</p>  |   |  |

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20. Other items or information: See attached Page 4.

| The following fees have been submitted   |              |   |         | CALCULATIONS                  | PTO USE ONLY |
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| 21. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Basic national fee (37 CFR 1.492(a)).....  |              |   | \$300   | \$ 300.00                     |              |
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| Search fee (37 CFR 1.445(a)(2)) has been paid on the international application to the USPTO as an International Searching Authority.....   |              |   | \$100   |                               |              |
| International Search Report prepared by an ISA other than the US and provided to the Office or previously communicated to the US by the IB.....  |              |   | \$400   |                               |              |
| All other situations.....  |              |   | \$500   |                               |              |
| <b>TOTAL OF 21, 22 and 23 =</b>  |              |   |         | <b>\$900.00</b>               |              |
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| 135 - 100 =  | 35 /50 =     | 1   | x \$250 | \$ 250.00                     |              |
| Surcharge of \$130.00 for furnishing any of the search fee, examination fee, or the oath or declaration after the date of commencement of the national stage (37 CFR 1.492(h)).  |              |   |         | \$                            |              |
| CLAIMS   | NUMBER FILED | NUMBER EXTRA  | RATE    |                               |              |
| Total claims   | 38 - 20 =    | 18  | x \$ 50 | \$ 900.00                     |              |
| Independent claims   | 6 - 3 =      | 3   | x \$200 | \$ 600.00                     |              |
| MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM(S) (if applicable)  |              |   |         | + \$360                       | \$ 0         |
| <b>TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS =</b>   |              |   |         | <b>\$ 2,650.00</b>            |              |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. Fees above are reduced by 1/2.   |              |   |         |                               |              |
| <b>SUBTOTAL =</b>  |              |   |         | \$                            |              |
| Processing fee of \$130.00 for furnishing the English translation later than 30 months from the earliest claimed priority date (37 CFR 1.492(i)).  |              |   |         | +                             | \$           |
| <b>TOTAL NATIONAL FEE =</b>  |              |   |         | <b>\$ 2,650.00</b>            |              |
| Fee for recording the enclosed assignment (37 CFR 1.21(h)). The assignment must be accompanied by an appropriate cover sheet (37 CFR 3.28, 3.31). \$40.00 per property   |              |   |         | +                             | \$           |
| <b>TOTAL FEES ENCLOSED =</b>   |              |   |         | <b>\$ 2,650.00</b>            |              |
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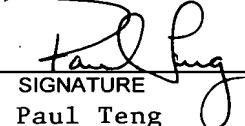
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NOTE: Where an appropriate time limit under 37 CFR 1.495 has not been met, a petition to revive (37 CFR 1.137(a) or (b)) must be filed and granted to restore the International Application to pending status.

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20. Other items or information:

Copies of the following--

- cover page of PCT Publication No. WO 2005/108099 A1;
- PCT Request;
- Notification Of Transmittal Of The International Search Report And The Written Opinion Of The International Searching Authority, Or The Declaration;
- Written Opinion Of The International Searching Authority;
- Notification Concerning Submission Or Transmittal Of Priority Document; and
- First Notice Informing The Applicant Of The Communication Of The International Application [To Designated Offices Which Do Not Apply The 30 Month Time Limit Under Article 22(1)].

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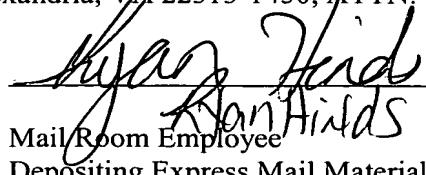
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